

Reverend H.A. Jones was installed in December 1909 and served until his death in January 1915. Reverend A.C. Armond ministered to the church until World War I. Dr. Charles Newman followed, faithfully conducting worship for fourteen years. Reverend J.N. Brown served the Presbyterian Church during the Great Depression, World War II, and the Korean Conflict.

Installed in 1954, Dr. Richard L. Summers led the ministry until September 1986. It was during Dr. Summer's thirty-two year tenure that the present church at 1214 24th Avenue was dedicated and a number of important programs were instituted such as a week-day kindergarten.

The congregation joined the Presbyterian Church of America in 1982 and was received in May 1983 by Grace Presbytery, P.C.A., at the First Presbyterian Church of Hattiesburg.

In July 1987, Reverend Danny Levi was installed, serving through December 1991. Reverend William R. Lyle was ordained in January 1991 and served as an Assistant Pastor until December 1992.

The First Presbyterian Church of Gulfport is now blessed to have Reverend Marshall D. Connor, a graduate of the University of South Carolina and the Reformed Theological Seminary, as its current Pastor. The father of seven children and the grandfather of two, Reverend Conner and his wife Linda have served the church since March 1993.

As the First Presbyterian Church reaches this significant milestone, it is appropriate to look back and reflect on the many lives touched by this institution. The thousands of worshipers who have achieved spiritual fulfillment. The children who received a strong religious education based on devotion to faith, family, and freedom and the biblical principles of integrity, conviction, and moral fiber. The sons and daughters who entered into the sacred bond of matrimony. The many devoted followers who regularly attended Sunday service, and who, in the Christian tradition, sought and received redemption. And the friends and family members who prayed for their loved ones and those in need.

The First Presbyterian Church has remained a center for community life and spiritual well-being for a century. This history will serve as a beacon for Gulfport as our Nation moves forward into the next millennium.

For one hundred years, and with nine ministers, this congregation has stood as a strong testament to its glorious teachings. I am proud and honored to commemorate this historic achievement.

I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the First Presbyterian Church of Gulfport, Mississippi, and to wish the church and its many followers a joyous centennial anniversary.●

#### TRIBUTE TO DR. PAUL PHILLIPS

● Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Dr. Paul Phillips for his eight years of service representing Upper Providence Township on the Spring-Ford Area School Board in Collegeville, PA.

Dr. Phillips has been active in educational activities for more than 50 years. His extensive experience includes serving as former superintendent in the Morrisville School District in Bucks County and former principal in the Haverford and Lower Merion school districts. Recently, he has served as a president of the Spring-Ford school board and as School Director.

While School Director, Dr. Phillips' goal was to raise Spring-Ford High School SAT scores by 100 points. Not only did Dr. Phillips attain that goal, he exceeded it. During his tenure, Dr. Phillips also saw the construction of two elementary schools and a high school, as well as renovations to the middle school.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join with me in commending Dr. Phillips for his outstanding service on the Spring-Ford School Board, as well as his years of active involvement in educational activities in Pennsylvania.●

#### IMANI ART MUSEUM

● Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I rise today to commend the goals of the proposed IMANI Art Museum in Dawson, Georgia. I would also like to note the work of Dr. Ron Maxwell for working to make the museum a reality.

The IMANI Art Museum will be dedicated to encouraging diversity and educating the community about contemporary forms of African art and African American art. Such a museum will help preserve the culture and history of African Americans so that future generations may fully appreciate their accomplishments.

Furthering the museum's goals of education, the museum will feature a Children's Center, W.J. Robinson Center for Art Teaching and Learning, and a research library. The Children's Center will strive to increase youth self esteem and self respect through the recognition and acquisition of art skills and historical knowledge. The W.J. Robinson Center will serve as a valuable resource and training tool for the community's teachers in all aspects of diversity issues and educational curriculum. The research library will serve as a valuable resource to students and the community with regards to the African American history and culture.

Once again, Mr. President, I commend the goals of the proposed IMANI Art Museum and the diligent work of Dr. Ron Maxwell. The museum will provide history and cultural richness for the citizens of Southwest Georgia

as well as prove to be important to the economic development and tourism industry which is sorely needed in this region. As we continue to look for ways at bringing people together, let us look to intentions of the proposed IMANI Art Museum as a leader in this effort.●

#### CALVIN COLLEGE NATIONAL TITLE

● Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate a group of very special young women from Calvin College. The Calvin College Women's Cross Country team placed first in the National Championships for Division III. This is the first national championship won by a MIAA (Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association) team in cross country.

The following 19 girls who make up the team, have indeed made Calvin College proud: Rashel Bayes, Erinn Boot, Kristi Brown, Lindsay Carrier, Andrea Clark, Allison Cook, Sara Crowe, April DeKorte, Kristie DeYoung, Sarah Gibson, Elisabeth Giessel, Sarah Gritter, Emily Hollender, Elizabeth Kuipers, Kris Lumkes, Amy Mizzzone, Lisa Timmer, Candice Vandergriff, and Katherine VanDerSchaaf. I would also like to recognize Nancy Meyer, the coach of the women's cross country team, who was named the national cross country coach of the year.

The Calvin Women's Cross Country team has now earned 16 All-American berths in the history of its program and eight top-10 national team finishes. It is my pleasure, once again, to congratulate the Calvin College Women's Cross Country team. It is very encouraging to see these young women strive for such excellence. This team has made Calvin College and the entire state of Michigan very proud.●

#### TRIBUTE TO WALTER ADAMS

● Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Walter Adams of East Lansing, Michigan. In the 76 years before his passing, Mr. Adams touched the lives of his family, his students, and his fellow community members with his passion for learning. Mr. Adams is best known for his longtime dedication to Michigan State University as a forty-six-year faculty member, including one year as president of the university.

As a lifelong promoter of education, Mr. Adams touched the lives of students and colleagues alike. He never lost his interest, his enthusiasm, and his total commitment to the ideals of education. His students were fortunate to be under the tutelage of an instructor who was knowledgeable, experienced, and committed to improving the knowledge of those he taught. Even after his retirement in 1993, Mr. Adams remained steadfastly loyal to the university.